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SUBJECT: TRAIN TRANSIT OF GDR

REFS: A) MOSCOW 11777

B) STATE 160324

1. WISH TO CALL TO DEPT'S ATTENTION THAT ITINERARY REF A POSES PROBLEMS FOR LAST LEG OF JOURNEY FROM BERLIN TO FRANKFURT. TRAVEL OF NAVAL ATTACHE'S CHILDREN BEARING DIPLOMATIC PASSPORTS VIA RAIL THROUGH BERLIN WOULD RESULT IN GDR CONTROL PROCEDURES AT EAST BERLIN-WEST BERLIN DEMARCATION LINE WHICH DEPT FOUND UNACCEPTABLE IN CASE OF OFFICIAL TRAVEL BY INFORMATION OFFICER FLAM FROM MOSCOW TO MUNICH (REF B). POSSIBILITY OF AVOIDING THESE PROCEDURES BY HAVING CHILDREN DETRAIN IN EAST BERLIN, TRAVEL TO WEST BERLIN BY OFFICIAL US VEHICLE, AND ENTRAIN IN WEST BERLIN, WOULD LIKELY RESULT IN DIFFICULTIES FOR CHILDREN WITH GDR AUTHORITIES WHEN TRAIN DEPARTS WEST BERLIN BECAUSE ABSENCE OF EXIT VISAS FROM GDR IN PASSPORTS. ACCORDINGLY, WE SUGGEST THAT, IF DEPT FINDS ITINERARY REF A UNACCEPTABLE, CHILDREN DETRAIN IN EAST BERLIN WHERE MISSION COULD MEET THEM AND BRING THEM TO WEST BERLIN FOR CONNECTING FLIGHT FROM TEMPELHOF AIRPORT TO FRANKFURT.

2. IF FOREGOING APPROVED BY DEPT, MISSION WOULD APPRECIATE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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MOSCOW PROVIDING NAMES OF CHILDREN, TRAIN NUMBER, AND

CONFIRMING ARRIVAL TIME IN EAST BERLIN SO THAT MISSION
MAY MEET.GEORGE

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